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Mr. M. J. Bullock, Vice President
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Dear Mr. Bullock:

**REGULATORY UNIT (RU) COMMENTS ON BNFL RESPONSE TO SAFETY
INTEGRATION INSPECTION REPORT IR-99-008**

- References: (1) BNFL letter 009182 to D. C. Gibbs, RU, from A. J. Dobson, "Contract No. DE-AC06-96RL13308 - W375 - Response to Safety Integration Inspection Report," dated January 18, 2000
- (2) DOE letter 00-RU-0110 to M. J. Lawrence, BNFL, from D. C. Gibbs, "Safety Integration Inspection Report, IR-99-008," December 3, 1999

The RU has reviewed the requested information in the BNFL Inc. response (Reference 1) to the Safety Integration Inspection Report, IR-99-008 (Reference 2). Based on the review, the RU has concluded that your response is not acceptable. Enclosed, is a discussion of the deficiencies in your response that resulted in this conclusion. You are requested to submit, within 15 days, a supplemental response that addresses the deficiencies discussed in the enclosure.

Based on this and other recent responses (Standards Selection Process, IR-99-006, and ALARA Design, IR-99-004), the RU suggests that management direct additional attention to ensuring that responses to RU Findings are complete and contain sufficient detail for the RU to assess the adequacy of the corrective actions.

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Nothing in this letter should be construed as changing the Contract (DE-AC06-96RL13308). If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact me or Pat Carier of my staff on (509) 376-3574.

Sincerely,



D. Clark Gibbs, Regulatory Official
Office of Safety Regulation
of the TWRS-P Contractor

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Enclosure:
Summary of Safety Integration Inspection Report
Response Deficiencies

cc w/encl:
D. W. Edwards, BNFL